

member of the Advisory Committee for Trade Policy and Negotiations.

The President announced his appointment of Kevin J. Bergner as Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Iraq.

The President announced his appointment of J. Scott Jennings as Special Assistant to the President and Deputy Director of Political Affairs.

The President announced his appointment of Jeffrey F. Kupfer as Special Assistant to the President for Economic Policy.

The President announced his appointment of Elisabeth Millard as Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for South and Central Asian Affairs.

The President announced his appointment of Luis A. Reyes as Special Assistant to the President for Presidential Personnel.

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### **Nominations Submitted to the Senate**

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The following list does not include promotions of members of the Uniformed Services, nominations to the Service Academies, or nominations of Foreign Service officers.

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#### ***Submitted January 31***

W. Ralph Basham,  
of Virginia, to be Commissioner of Customs,  
Department of Homeland Security, vice  
Robert C. Bonner, resigned.

Paul DeCamp,  
of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Wage  
and Hour Division, Department of Labor,  
vice Tammy Dee McCutchen, resigned.

Edward P. Lazear,  
of California, to be a member of the Council  
of Economic Advisers, vice Ben S. Bernanke.

Jeffrey L. Sedgwick,  
of Massachusetts, to be Director of the Bureau  
of Justice Statistics, vice Lawrence A.  
Greenfeld, resigned.

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### **Checklist of White House Press Releases**

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The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

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#### ***Released January 30***

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

#### ***Released January 31***

Transcript of a press briefing by Counselor to the President Dan Bartlett on the State of the Union Address

Statement by the Press Secretary on Shaykh Sabah al-Ahmad Al Sabah becoming Kuwait's new amir

Fact sheet: A Strong America Leading the World

Fact sheet: Affordable and Accessible Health Care

Fact sheet: American Competitiveness Initiative

Fact sheet: The Advanced Energy Initiative

Excerpts: State of the Union

Advance text: State of the Union

#### ***Released February 1***

Transcript of a press gaggle by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Transcript of a press briefing by Secretary of Commerce Carlos M. Gutierrez, Secretary of Labor Elaine L. Chao, Secretary of Energy Samuel W. Bodman, Secretary of Education Margaret Spellings, and Office of Science and Technology Policy Director John H. Marburger III on the American Competitiveness Initiative

Transcript of a press briefing by National Economic Council Director Allan B. Hubbard and Special Assistant to the President for Economic Policy Roy Ramthun on the President's Health Care Initiatives for 2006

Transcript of a press briefing by Secretary of Energy Samuel W. Bodman